DESCRIPTION

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RADIO SYSTEM AND RADIO COMMUNICATION DEVICE

5 Technical Field

[0001] The present invention relates to a radio system and radio communication apparatus, and more particularly, to a radio system and radio communication apparatus having an excellent phase noise characteristic.

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Background Art

[0002] Conventionally, various measures have been adopted to provide a radio system having an excellent phase noise characteristic. An example of this 15 conventional radio system having an excellent phase noise characteristic is described in Patent Document 1. radio system is provided with a local noise canceller shown in FIG. 10 to improve the phase noise characteristic. [0003] The operations of this local noise canceller will be explained with reference to FIG. 10 and FIG. 11. FIG. 11 20 is characteristic diagrams showing frequency characteristics of components of the local noise canceller shown in FIG.10.

[0004] As shown in FIG.11A, suppose that, in an input signal, modulated IF signals (BST-OFDM) and pilot carrier (PILOT) are multiplexed, and input phase noise (part expressed by bold hatching) is superimposed.

[0005] Here, when frequency of the input pilot carrier is f_{PLT} , frequency of the input signal is f_{sig} , and input phase noise is θ (t), input phase noise θ (t) is superimposed on f_{PLT} and f_{sig} . Therefore, f_{PLT} and f_{sig} are expressed as follows:

 $f_{PLT} \angle \theta$ (t)

 $f_{sig} \angle \theta$ (t)

10 [0006] Input signal A is distributed by distributor 50, and one signal is outputted to a pilot branch and the other signal is outputted to a signal branch. In the pilot branch, the one signal distributed by distributor 50 is band-limited by bandpass filter 51, and only a pilot carrier component passes to be extracted and further subjected to limiter amplification by limiter amplifier 52.

[0007] At this time, the frequency characteristic of output signal B from bandpass filter 51 and output signal C from limiter amplifier 52, in which the IF signal component is removed, include, as shown in FIGs.11B and 11C, only the pilot carrier component and input phase noise θ (t) superimposed thereon.

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[0008] At this time, a delay is produced at bandpass filter 51, and if this delay time is $\tau_{\rm BPF1}$, input phase noise θ (t- $\tau_{\rm BPF1}$) delayed by $\tau_{\rm BPF1}$ is superimposed on input pilot carrier frequency $f_{\rm PLT}$, and, therefore, $f_{\rm PLT}$ is

expressed as follows:

$f_{PLT} \angle \theta (t - \tau_{BPF1})$

[0009] On the other hand, in the signal branch, local oscillation signal D is outputted from local oscillator 60. Here, the frequency characteristic of local oscillation signal D outputted from local oscillator 60 includes a signal of local oscillation frequency (LO) 10 and phase noise produced by a station within the system which is superimposed thereon as shown in FIG.11D. [0010] Here, if the local oscillation signal frequency within the system is f_{LO} and the local oscillation signal phase noise within the system is ϕ (t), local oscillation 15 signal phase noise ϕ (t) within the system is superimposed on the local oscillation signal frequency f_{LO} within the system, and, therefore, f_{LO} is expressed as follows:

$f_{LO} \angle \phi$ (t)

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[0011] Then, in the signal branch, the signal outputted from distributor 50 is subjected to frequency conversion by local oscillation signal D from local oscillator 60 by frequency converter 61, and signal E is outputted.
[0012] Here, the frequency characteristic of signal E outputted from frequency converter 61 includes a sum component and difference component between input signal

A and local oscillation signal D as shown in FIG.11E.

Thus, relationships between the signal components included in signal E and phase noise to be superimposed are expressed as follows:

$$f_{PLT}-f_{LO} \angle \theta (t) - \phi (t)$$

$$f_{sig}-f_{LO} \angle \theta (t) - \phi (t)$$

$$f_{PLT}+f_{LO} \angle \theta (t) + \phi (t)$$

$$f_{sig}+f_{LO} \angle \theta (t) + \phi (t)$$

[0013] Signal E subjected to frequency conversion is then band-limited by bandpass filter 62 so that only the difference component passes, and is outputted from bandpass filter 62 as signal F. The frequency characteristics of signal F, in which the sum component in E is removed, include, as shown in FIG.11F, only the difference component.

[0014] At this time, a delay is produced at bandpass filter 62, and if this delay time is $\tau_{\rm BPF2}$, a delay by $\tau_{\rm BPF2}$ is produced in the phase noise superimposed on the extracted difference component. The relationships between the signal components included in signal F and phase noise to be superimposed are expressed as follows:

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$$f_{PLT}-f_{LO} \angle \theta \ (t-\tau_{BPF2}) - \phi \ (t-\tau_{BPF2})$$
$$f_{sig}-f_{LO} \angle \theta \ (t-\tau_{BPF2}) - \phi \ (t-\tau_{BPF2})$$

[0015] Then, a delay is added to signal F in delay compensator 63 so that the delay time is equivalent to the delay time at bandpass filter 51 in the pilot branch, and signal F is outputted as signal G.

[0016] Here, when the delay time of bandpass filter 62 is τ_{BPF2} against delay time τ_{BPF1} of bandpass filter 51 and the delay time at delay compensator 63 is $\Delta \tau$, delay compensator 63 equalizes the delay time difference with the pilot branch by adding delay $\Delta \tau$ to signal Fas follows:

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$$\tau$$
 BPF1 = τ BPF2 + Δ t

[0017] As a result, the frequency characteristic of signal G does not change and is as shown in FIG.11G, and the relationships between the signal components included in signal G and phase noise to be superimposed, to which delay Δ t is added, are as follows:

$$f_{PLT}-f_{LO} \angle \theta \ (t-\tau_{BPF2}-\Delta t)-\phi \ (t-\tau_{BPF2}-\Delta t)$$

$$f_{sig}-f_{LO} \angle \theta \ (t-\tau_{BPF2}-\Delta t)-\phi \ (t-\tau_{BPF2}-\Delta t)$$

[0018] Signal G in the signal branch and signal C outputted from above-described limiter amplifier 52 in the pilot branch are then subjected to frequency conversion in frequency converter 70, and outputted as signal H.

[0019] Here, the frequency characteristic of signal ${\tt H}$

outputted from frequency converter 70 includes the sum component and difference component between signal G and signal C as shown in FIG.11H. Therefore, the relationships between the signal components included in signal H and phase noise to be superimposed are expressed as follows:

$$f_{\rm PLT}-(f_{\rm PLT}-f_{\rm LO}) \angle \theta \ (t-\tau_{\rm BPF1})-\{\theta \ (t-\tau_{\rm BPF2}-\Delta\,t)-\phi \ (t-\tau_{\rm BPF2}-\Delta\,t)\}$$

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$$f_{PLT}$$
- $(f_{sig}$ - $f_{LO}) \angle \theta$ $(t-\tau_{BPF1})$ - $\{\theta$ $(t-\tau_{BPF2}-\Delta t)$ - ϕ $(t-\tau_{BPF2}-\Delta t)\}$

$$f_{PLT} + (f_{PLT} - f_{LO}) \angle \theta (t - \tau_{BPF1}) + \{ \theta (t - \tau_{BPF2} - \Delta t) - \phi (t - \tau_{BPF2} - \Delta t) \}$$

$$f_{PLT} + (f_{sig} - f_{LO}) \angle \theta (t - \tau_{BPF1}) + \{ \theta (t - \tau_{BPF2} - \Delta t) - \phi (t - \tau_{BPF2} - \Delta t) \}$$
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[0020] Here, as shown above, delay compensator 63 equalizes the delay time difference between the signal branch and pilot branch by adding delay Δ t as follows:

 $\tau_{BPF1} = \tau_{BPF2} + \Delta t$

The expressions are summarized as follows:

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$$f_{LO} \angle \phi (t - \tau_{BPF2} - \Delta t)$$

$$f_{LO} - (f_{sig} - f_{PLT}) \angle \phi (t - \tau_{BPF2} - \Delta t)$$

$$2 \times f_{PLT} - f_{LO} \angle 2 \times \theta (t - \tau_{BPF1}) - \phi (t - \tau_{BPF2} - \Delta t)$$

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f_{PLT} + $(f_{sig}$ - $f_{LO}) \angle 2 \times \theta (t-\tau_{BPF1}) - \phi (t-\tau_{BPF2}-\Delta t)$

[0021] Here, when attention is focused on the difference component, the frequency of the output signal component is frequency of a local oscillation signal within the system (f_{LO}) regardless of a frequency of the input signal, and is, namely, constant. Furthermore, when attention is focused on the pilot carrier, the sideband of the signal is reversed between input and output.

Furthermore, for the phase noise of the output 10 signal, input phase noise θ (x) is canceled, and phase noise ϕ (x) of the local oscillation signal within the system is included instead. That is, it is understandable that when phase noise ϕ (x) of the local oscillation signal 15 within the system is small enough, the phase noise of the input signal is sufficiently reduced and outputted. [0023] Thus, signal H subjected to frequency conversion in frequency converter 70 is band-limited in bandpass filter 71 so that only the difference component and the signal component pass, and signal I is outputted. 20 frequency characteristic of signal I, in which the sum component and the pilot carrier component in difference component are removed from H, includes, as shown in FIG.11I, only the difference component. relationship between the signal component included in 25 signal I and phase noise to be superimposed is as follows:

 $f_{LO}-(f_{sig}-f_{PLT}) \angle \phi (t-\tau_{BPF2}-\Delta t)$

[0024] According to the above-described principles of frequency synchronization and noise cancellation by a local noise canceller, even if an input signal has a frequency deviation, for example, it is possible to obtain an output signal at a frequency following the local oscillation frequency having a high degree of stability with high frequency accuracy generated by local oscillator 60 and thereby eliminate the frequency deviation of the input signal.

[0025] Furthermore, for the phase noise of the output signal, the phase noise θ (x) superimposed on the input signal is canceled, and, only phase noise ϕ (x) of the local oscillation signal within the system is included instead, so that, if phase noise ϕ (x) of the local oscillation signal within the system is small enough, the phase noise of the input signal is sufficiently reduced and outputted.

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Disclosure of Invention

25 Problems to be Solved by the Invention
[0026] However, when a signal in a high-frequency band is used for communication, the oscillating frequency of

the local oscillation section increases, and, therefore, the phase noise produced from the local oscillation section within the systemalso increases. For this reason, according to the conventional radio system, the phase noise of the local oscillation signal within the system remains, and therefore, there is a problem that communication quality deteriorates due to phase noise produced from the local oscillation section within the system.

10 [0027] It is therefore an object of the present invention to provide a radio system and radio communication apparatus capable of eliminating not only phase noise superimposed on a received signal but also phase noise produced inside the system of a reception radio section.

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Means for Solving the Problem

[0028] The radio system of the present invention adopts a configuration having: a radio transmission apparatus having a transmission section that transmits a radio signal in which a modulation signal having no signal on a center frequency and a pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency are multiplexed; and a radio reception apparatus having: an antenna that receives the radio signal; a first distribution section that distributes the received signal received at the antenna to two directions; an extraction section that extracts a signal component corresponding

to the pilot signal from one received signal distributed by the first distribution section; a second distribution section that distributes a local oscillation signal from a local oscillation signal generation section to two directions; a first frequency multiplication section that performs frequency conversion on the signal component corresponding to the extracted pilot signal using the one local oscillation signal distributed by the second distribution section; a first delay addition section that gives a delay to the other received signal distributed by the first distribution section; a second frequency multiplication section that frequency-multiplies the signal component corresponding to the pilot signal subjected to frequency conversion in the first frequency multiplication section by the other received signal to which the delay has been added in the first delay addition section; a second delay addition section that gives a delay to the other local oscillation signal distributed by the second distribution section; and a quadrature demodulation section that frequency-multiplies the received signal after frequency multiplication in the second frequency multiplication section by the other local oscillation signal to which the delay has been added in the second delay addition section, and performs quadrature demodulation.

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[0029] The radio reception apparatus of the present invention adopts a configuration having: an antenna that

receives a radio signal in which a modulation signal having no signal on a center frequency and a pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency are multiplexed; first distribution section distributes the received signal received at the antenna to two directions; an extraction section that extracts a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal from one received signal distributed by the first distribution section; a second distribution section that distributes 10 a local oscillation signal from a local oscillation signal generation section to two directions; a first frequency multiplication section that performs frequency conversion on the signal component corresponding to the extracted pilot signal using the one local oscillation 15 signal distributed by the second distribution section; a first delay addition section that gives a delay to the received signal distributed by the distribution section; a second frequency multiplication section that frequency-multiplies a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal subjected to frequency 20 conversion in the first frequency multiplication section by the other received signal to which the delay has been added in the first delay addition section; a second delay addition section that gives a delay to the other local oscillation signal distributed by the second distribution 25 section; and a quadrature demodulation section that frequency-multiplies the received signal after frequency

multiplication in the second frequency multiplication section by the other local oscillation signal to which the delay has been added by the second delay addition section, and performs quadrature demodulation.

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Advantageous Effect of the Invention
[0030] According to the present invention, it is possible to provide a radio system and radio communication apparatus capable of improving a phase noise characteristics by eliminating phase noise superimposed on a received signal and phase noise produced within the system of the reception radio section.

Brief Description of Drawings

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FIG.1 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to Embodiment 1;

FIG.2 is a characteristic diagram showing frequencies of signals in a radio system;

20 FIG.3 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to Embodiment 2;

FIG.4 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to Embodiment 3;

FIG.5 is a block diagram showing a configuration

25 of a radio system according to Embodiment 4;

FIG.6 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to Embodiment 5;

FIG.7 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to Embodiment 6;

FIG.8 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to Embodiment 7;

FIG.9 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to Embodiment 8;

FIG.10 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a local noise canceller provided for a conventional radio system; and

FIG.11 is a characteristic diagram showing frequency characteristics of components of the local noise canceller in FIG.10.

Best Mode for Carrying Out the Invention

15 [0032] Embodiments of the present invention will be described in detail below with reference now to the accompanying drawings.

[0033] (Embodiment 1)

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20 First, a radio system according to this embodiment will be explained with reference to the drawings.

[0034] FIG.1 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to this embodiment. As shown in FIG.1, radio system 100 is provided with radio transmission apparatus 101 and radio reception apparatus

[0035] This radio transmission apparatus 101 is provided

with transmission baseband section 110 that generates a baseband signal and transmission radio section 120 that performs predetermined processing on the baseband signal and transmits the result as an RF signal.

5 [0036] In this transmission baseband section 110, modulation signal generation section 111 generates a modulation signal and gives it to pilot signal combination section 112. This modulation signal may be any modulation signal except for a modulation signal having a signal on a center frequency part on the frequency axis, and may also be, for example, an OFDM signal and multicarrier CDMA.

[0037] This pilot signal combination section 112 combines the modulation signal received from modulation signal generation section 111 and a pilot signal received from pilot signal generation section 113 and gives the combined signal to transmission radio section 120.

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[0038] On the other hand, in transmission radio section 120, local oscillation section 121 generates a local oscillation signal and gives it to quadrature modulator 122.

[0039] Quadrature modulator 122 performs quadrature modulation on the combined signal of the modulation signal and pilot signal outputted from pilot signal combination section 112 of the above-described transmission baseband section 110 using the local oscillation signal from local oscillation section 121 and gives the

quadrature-modulated signal to frequency multiplier 123.

[0040] Frequency multiplier 123 converts the signal subjected to quadrature modulation in quadrature modulator 122 to a radio signal using a local oscillation signal received from local oscillation section 124. This radio signal is transmitted through antenna 125.

[0041] On the other hand, radio reception apparatus 151 has reception radio section 165 and reception baseband section 170 that processes a signal from reception radio section 165.

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[0042] In reception radio section 165, antenna 152 receives a radio signal transmitted from radio transmission apparatus 101. This received radio signal is amplified in amplifier 153 and then given to distributor 154.

[0043] Distributor 154 distributes the signal received from amplifier 153 to two routes of a modulation signal branch and pilot branch.

[0044] In the pilot branch, bandpass filter 155 extracts only a pilot signal component from the signal distributed by distributor 154. This extracted pilot signal component is amplified in amplifier 156 and then given to frequency multiplier 157.

[0045] Frequency multiplier 157 frequency-multiplies
the signal amplified in amplifier 156 using a local
oscillation signal of local oscillation section 159,
which is distributed by distributor 158, and gives the

frequency-multiplied signal to bandpass filter 160.

[0046] Bandpass filter 160 extracts only a signal of a desired frequency band from the signals outputted from frequency multiplier 157. The signal extracted by bandpass filter 160 is given to frequency multiplier 161.

[0047] On the other hand, in the modulation signal branch, delay compensator 162 delays the signal received from distributor 154 so as to be synchronized with a signal reaching frequency multiplier 161 through the pilot branch, and gives the delayed signal to frequency multiplier 161.

[0048] Frequency multiplier 161 frequency-multiplies the output signal from delay compensator 162 by the signal extracted by bandpass filter 160, and outputs the multiplied signal to quadrature demodulator 163.

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[0049] Delay compensator 164 adds a predetermined delay to the local oscillation signal of local oscillation section 159, which is distributed by distributor 158, and outputs the delayed signal to quadrature demodulator 163.

[0050] Quadrature demodulator 163 performs quadrature demodulation on the output signal from frequency multiplier 161 by the output signal from delay compensator 164 and outputs the signal subjected to quadrature 25 demodulation to reception baseband section 170.

[0051] Next, the operations of radio system 100 will be explained with reference to FIG.1 and FIG.2.

[0052] FIG.2 is a characteristic diagram showing a frequency characteristic of signals in radio system 100. FIGs.2A to 2H show frequency characteristics of signals at the parts in FIG.1 where the corresponding alphabets are assigned.

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[0053] Combined signal A of the modulation signal and pilot signal outputted from transmission baseband section 110 has a frequency characteristic shown in FIG.2A. As described above, here, the pilot signal is made to be located at the center of the frequency axis of the modulation signal.

[0054] Combined signal A is subjected to frequency conversion to be a radio signal as a transmission signal at transmission radio section 120, and outputted from antenna 125.

[0055] When the phase noise included in a local oscillation signal of local oscillation section 121 is $\theta_{\rm RFtx}$, the phase noise included in a local oscillation signal of local oscillation section 124 is $\theta_{\rm RFtx}$, the frequency of the transmission signal is $f_{\rm RF}$, and phase noise is $\theta_{\rm tx}$, the transmission signal is expressed as follows:

$$f_{RF} \angle \theta_{tx}(t)$$

$$\theta_{tx}(t) = \theta_{RFtx}(t) + \theta_{IFtx}(t)$$

[0056] Received signal B received at radio reception

apparatus 151 includes not only the phase noise added at transmission radio section 120 but also phase noise and frequency errors in a propagation path, and, therefore, it has a frequency characteristic shown in FIG.2B. If the frequency upon reception is f_{RF} , and phase noise is θ_{RF} , they can be expressed as follows:

$$f_{RF}' \angle \theta_{RF}(t)$$

$$f_{RF}' = f_{RF} + f'$$

$$\theta_{RF}(t) = \theta_{tx}(t) + \theta_{c}(t)$$

In addition, f' is a frequency error produced in the propagation path, and $\theta_{\, c}$ is a phase error produced in the propagation path.

15 [0057] Radio signal B received at antenna 152 is amplified in amplifier 153 and distributed in distributor 154 to two directions of a modulation signal branch and a pilot branch.

[0058] In the pilot branch, only pilot signal component C is extracted by bandpass filter 155 from the signals distributed in distributor 154, and has a frequency characteristic shown in FIG.2C. This extracted pilot signal component C is amplified by amplifier 156 and then given to frequency multiplier 157.

25 [0059] Frequency multiplier 157 frequency-multiplies the signal amplified in amplifier 156 using a local oscillation signal of local oscillation section 159,

which is distributed by distributor 158, and gives the frequency-multiplied signal to bandpass filter 160. [0060] Bandpass filter 160 extracts signal E which includes only the difference component from the signals outputted from frequency multiplier 157. Signal E

outputted from frequency multiplier 157. Signal E extracted by bandpass filter 160 has a frequency characteristics shown in FIG. 2E and is given to frequency multiplier 161.

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[0061] The frequency and phase noise of input signal E from bandpass filter 160 to frequency multiplier 161 are given by the following expression:

$$(\,f_{RF}{}'\,-f_{IF})\,\angle\,[\,\,\theta_{\,\,RF}\,(\,t+\,\tau_{\,\,p}\,)\,-\,\theta_{\,\,IF}\,(\,t+\,\tau_{\,\,IF}{}'\,)\,\,]$$

- 15 [0062] Suppose that the frequency of the local oscillation signal of local oscillation section 159 is $f_{\rm IF}$, phase error is θ $_{\rm IF}$, an amount of delay produced when signal E is inputted from distributor 158 to frequency multiplier 161 through frequency multiplier 157 and bandpass filter 160 is τ $_{\rm IF}$, and an amount of delay produced when signal E is inputted from distributor 154 to frequency multiplier 161 through bandpass filter 155, amplifier 156, frequency multiplier 157 and, bandpass filter 160 is τ $_{\rm P}$.
- [0063] On the other hand, in the modulation signal branch, the signal distributed by distributor 154 is given the amount of delay τ_s in delay compensator 162, and outputted

to frequency multiplier 161 as signal D. Delay compensator 162 adds the amount of delay so that $\tau_{\,s}$ is equal to $\tau_{\,p}.$

[0064] This signal Dhas a frequency characteristic shown in FIG.2D, and the frequency and phase noise are given by the following expression:

$$f_{RF}' \angle \theta_{RF} (t + \tau_s)$$

$$\tau_s = \tau_p$$

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[0065] Frequency multiplier 161 frequency-multiplies signal D using output signal E from bandpass filter 160, and outputs the signal to quadrature demodulator 163 as signal F.

15 [0066] This signal Fhas a frequency characteristic shown in FIG.2F, and the frequency and phase are as follows:

$$f_{RF}' \angle \theta_{RF}(t+\tau_s) - (f_{RF}' - f_{IF}) \angle [\theta_{RF}(t+\tau_p) - \theta_{IF}(t+\tau_{IF}')]$$

$$= f_{IF} \angle \theta_{IF}(t+\tau_{IF}')$$

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[0067] This indicates that, in signal F, frequency error f'and phase noise $\theta_{\rm RF}$ included upon reception are removed, and only phase error $\theta_{\rm IF}$ produced within the system remains.

25 [0068] Quadrature demodulator 163 performs quadrature demodulation on signal F using signal G which is distributed from distributor 158 and then given the amount

of delay $\tau_{\rm IFp}$ from delay compensator 164, and outputs the signal to reception baseband section 170 as signal H. When the amount of delay produced when the signal from distributor 158 is inputted to quadrature demodulator 163 through frequency multiplier 157, bandpass filter 160 and frequency multiplier 161 is $\tau_{\rm IFs}$, delay compensator 164 adds the amount of delay so that $\tau_{\rm IFp}$ is equals to $\tau_{\rm IFs}$.

[0069] Output signal G of delay compensator 164 has a 10 frequency characteristic shown in FIG.2G, and the characteristic is expressed by the following expression:

$f_{IF} \angle \theta_{IF} (t + \tau_{IFp})$

15 [0070] As described above, output signal F of frequency multiplier 161 is expressed by: $f_{IF} \angle \theta_{IF} (t + \tau_{IF}')$

[0071] Since τ_{IFp} is equal to τ_{IFs} here, signal Gand signal F have completely the same frequency and phase noise. For this reason, frequency errors and phase noise can

20 be totally removed, so that signal H, form which frequency errors and phase noise are totally removed, has a frequency characteristic shown in FIG.2H. This signal H indicates a baseband signal after quadrature demodulation.

[0072] As shown above, radio transmission apparatus 101
25 multiplexes a transmission signal so that a pilot signal is on the center frequency and transmits the result, and radio reception apparatus 151 performs frequency

multiplication using a pilot signal having the same frequency error and phase noise as those of a received signal, and performs quadrature demodulation on phase noise produced within the system using a signal having the same phase noise. For this reason, it is possible to remove frequency errors and phase errors included in the received signal, and also totally remove phase errors produced within the system.

[0073] When bandpass filter 155 extracts the pilot signal component, phase noise outside the band of bandpass filter 155 is not extracted, and is therefore necessary to be suppressed in transmission radio section 120. In this embodiment, local oscillation section 121 and local oscillation section 124 can suppress the phase noise.

- 15 [0074] For example, local oscillation section 121 and local oscillation section 124 can be configured as a PLL frequency synthesizer. In this case, by designing a loop bandwidth of the PLL frequency synthesizer to be equal or smaller than the bandwidth of bandpass filter 155,
- it is possible to suppress phase noise of local oscillation section 121 and local oscillation section 124 which exist outside the passband of bandpass filter 155, and remove phase noise produced in local oscillation section 121 and local oscillation section 124.
- 25 [0075] Thus, according to Embodiment 1, radio reception apparatus 151 is provided with: antenna 152 that receives a radio signal in which a modulation signal having no

signal on a center frequency and a pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency are multiplexed; distributor 154 that distributes the received signal received at antenna 152 to two directions; bandpass filter 155 that extracts a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal from the one received signal distributed from distributor 154; frequency multiplier 157 that performs frequency conversion on the signal component corresponding to the extracted pilot signal using one local oscillation signal which is 10 generated local oscillation section by 159 and distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; delay compensator 162 that gives a delay to the other received signal distributed by distributor 154; frequency 15 multiplier 161 that frequency-multiplies the signal component corresponding to the pilot signal subjected to frequency conversion in frequency multiplier 157 by the other received signal to which a delay is added in delay compensator 162; delay compensator 164 that gives a delay to the other local oscillation signal distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; and quadrature demodulator 163 that frequency-multiplies the received signal after the frequency multiplication by frequency multiplier 161 in the other local oscillation signal to which a delay is added by delay compensator 164, and 25 performs quadrature demodulation.

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[0076] By so doing, frequency multiplication performed using a pilot signal having the same frequency error and phase noise as those of the received signal, and quadrature demodulation is also performed using a signal having the same phase noise with regard to phase noise produced within the system, so that it is possible to remove frequency errors and phase errors included in the received signal, and completely remove phase errors produced within the system.

10 [0077] (Embodiment 2)

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FIG. 3 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to this Embodiment 2. Compared to radio reception apparatus 151 of radio system 100 in Embodiment 1, radio reception apparatus 351 of radio system 300 shown in FIG. 3 only differs in that amplifier 353 is added between distributor 154 and bandpass filter 155, and the rest of the components are the same. Therefore, the explanations of the same components will be omitted, and only different parts will be explained.

[0078] When a modulation signal branch and a pilot signal branch are compared, the pilot signal branch is inferior to the modulation signal branch in an NF characteristic and C/N characteristic in a weak electric field because the pilot signal branch includes bandpass filter 155 and bandpass filter 160. Attention is focused on this fact, and amplifier 353 are added in this embodiment between

distributor 154 and bandpass filter 155 in reception radio section 352 of radio reception apparatus 351.

[0079] In reception radio section 352, in the pilot branch, amplifier 353 amplifies a signal distributed by distributor 154, and gives the amplified signal to bandpass filter 155.

[0080] Bandpass filter 155 extracts only a pilot signal component from the signal amplified by amplifier 353. [0081] As described above, by adding amplifier 353 before bandpass filter 155, it is possible to improve the NF characteristic and C/N characteristic of the pilot branch

in a weak electric field.

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[0082] Thus, according to Embodiment 2, radio reception apparatus 351 is provided with: antenna 152 that receives a radio signal in which a modulation signal having no signal on a center frequency and a pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency are multiplexed; distributor 154 that distributes the received signal received at antenna 152 to two directions; bandpass filter 155 that extracts a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal from the one received signal distributed from distributor 154; frequency multiplier 157 that performs frequency conversion on the signal component corresponding to the extracted pilot signal using one local oscillation signal which is generated by local oscillation section 159 and distributed to the two directions by distributor 158;

delay compensator 162 that gives a delay to the other received signal distributed by distributor 154; frequency multiplier 161 that frequency-multiplies the signal component corresponding to the pilot signal subjected to frequency conversion in frequency multiplier 157 by the other received signal to which a delay is added in delay compensator 162; delay compensator 164 that gives a delay to the other local oscillation signal distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; and quadrature demodulator 163 that frequency-multiplies the received signal after the frequency multiplication by frequency multiplier 161 in the other local oscillation signal to which a delay is added by delay compensator 164, and performs quadrature demodulation.

15 [0083] Furthermore, radio reception apparatus 351 is provided with amplifier 353 that amplifies the one signal distributed from distributor 154, and outputs the amplified signal to bandpass filter 155.

[0084] By so doing, it is possible to improve the NF characteristic and the C/N characteristic in a weak electric field of the signal (signal E) inputted to frequency multiplier 161 through the pilot branch, and thereby further improve the phase noise characteristic.

25 [0085] (Embodiment 3)

FIG.4 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to this Embodiment 3.

Compared to radio reception apparatus 151 of radio system 100 in Embodiment 1, radio reception apparatus 451 of radio system 400 shown in FIG.4 only differs in that variable gain amplifier 453 is added instead of amplifier 156, variable gain amplifier 454 is added between frequency multiplier 161 and quadrature demodulator 163, and reception baseband section 470 provided with reception power calculation section 471 is provided instead of reception baseband section 170, and the rest of the components are the same. Therefore, the explanations of the same components will be omitted and only different parts will be explained.

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[0086] Reception power calculation section 471 calculates power of a received signal from power of signal H outputted from quadrature demodulator 163. Reception baseband section 470 gives control signals corresponding to this calculation result to variable gain amplifier 453 and variable gain amplifier 454, and controls the gains thereof.

20 [0087] By so doing, variable gain amplifier 453 that receives the control signal keeps a constant input level for frequency multiplier 157, and variable gain amplifier 454 keeps a constant input level for quadrature demodulator 163, so that it is possible to keep a constant input level for reception baseband section 470.

[0088] As described above, it is possible to keep a constant input level for the reception baseband section

even when the reception level changes and thereby realize a radio system that operates over a wide range of reception level.

[0089] Thus, according to Embodiment 3, radio reception apparatus 451 is provided with: antenna 152 that receives a radio signal in which a modulation signal having no signal on a center frequency and a pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency are multiplexed; distributor 154 that distributes the 10 received signal received at antenna 152 to two directions; bandpass filter 155 that extracts a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal from the one received signal distributed from distributor 154; frequency multiplier 157 that performs frequency conversion on the 15 signal component corresponding to the extracted pilot signal using one local oscillation signal which is local oscillation section 159 generated by distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; delay compensator 162 that gives a delay to the other 20 received signal distributed by distributor 154; frequency multiplier 161 that frequency-multiplies the signal component corresponding to the pilot signal subjected to frequency conversion in frequency multiplier 157 by the other received signal to which a delay is added in 25 delay compensator 162; delay compensator 164 that gives a delay to the other local oscillation signal distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; and quadrature

demodulator 163 that frequency-multiplies the received signal after the frequency multiplication by frequency multiplier 161 in the other local oscillation signal to which a delay is added by delay compensator 164, and performs quadrature demodulation.

[0090] Furthermore, radio reception apparatus 451 is also provided with: reception power calculation section 471 that calculates a reception power value of the received signal based on the amplitude of the output signal of quadrature demodulator 163; variable gain amplifier 453 that is disposed before frequency multiplier 157 and amplifies a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal extracted by bandpass filter 155 according to the reception power value; and variable gain amplifier 454 that is disposed before quadrature demodulator 163 and amplifies the signal after frequency multiplication by frequency multiplier 161 according to the reception power value.

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[0091] By so doing, even when the reception power received at antenna 152 fluctuates, it is possible to realize amplification according to the reception power value, keep a constant input level for frequency multiplier 157 and the input level for quadrature demodulator 163, and thereby prevent deterioration of the phase noise characteristic even when the reception power fluctuates.

[0092] (Embodiment 4)

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of a radio system according to this Embodiment 4. Compared to radio reception apparatus 451 of radio system 400 in Embodiment 3, radio reception apparatus 551 of radio system 500 shown in FIG.5 only differs in that delay compensator 162 is replaced by variable delay compensator 553, delay compensator 164 is replaced by variable delay compensator 554, reception baseband section 470 is replaced by reception baseband section 570 provided with reception power calculation section 471, and amount of delay calculation section 571, and the rest of the components are the same. Therefore, the explanations of the same components will be omitted, and only different parts will be explained.

[0093] At variable gain amplifier 453 and variable gain amplifier 454 that change gains according to reception levels, an amount of delay changes simultaneously with changes in the gains.

20 [0094] Thus, amount of delay calculation section 571 determines the amount of delay of variable delay compensator 553 and variable delay compensator 554 using control signals from reception power calculation section 471 that controls the gains of variable gain amplifier 453 and variable gain amplifier 454, and outputs control signals to variable gain amplifier 453 and variable gain amplifier 454.

[0095] Variable delay compensator 553 that has received the control signal corrects the change in the amount of delay at variable gain amplifier 453, and variable delay compensator 554 corrects the change in the amount of delay at variable gain amplifier 454.

[0096] As described above, even when a reception level changes, it is possible to keep a constant input level for reception baseband section 570 and correct change in the amount of delay within the system caused by the change in the reception level, and thereby realize a radio system that stably operates over a wide range of reception level.

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[0097] Thus, according to Embodiment 4, radio reception apparatus 551 is provided with: antenna 152 that receives 15 a radio signal in which a modulation signal having no signal on a center frequency and a pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency are multiplexed; distributor 154 that distributes the received signal received at antenna 152 to two directions; 20 bandpass filter 155 that extracts a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal from the one received signal distributed from distributor 154; frequency multiplier 157 that performs frequency conversion on the signal component corresponding to the extracted pilot 25 signal using one local oscillation signal which is generated by local oscillation section 159 and distributed to the two directions by distributor 158;

variable delay compensator 553 that gives a delay to the other received signal distributed by distributor 154; frequency multiplier 161 that frequency-multiplies the signal component corresponding to the pilot signal subjected to frequency conversion in frequency multiplier 157 by the other received signal to which a delay is added in delay compensator 162; variable delay compensator 554 that gives a delay to the other local oscillation signal distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; and quadrature demodulator 163 that frequency-multiplies the received signal after the frequency multiplication by frequency multiplier 161 in the other local oscillation signal to which a delay is added by delay compensator 164, and performs quadrature demodulation.

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[0098] Furthermore, radio reception apparatus 551 is 15 provided with reception power calculation section 471 that calculates a reception power value of the received signal based on the amplitude of the output signal of quadrature demodulator 163, and amount 20 calculation section 571 that calculates the amount of delay based on the reception power value, and variable delay compensator 553 and variable delay compensator 554 change delays to be added based on the amount of delay. [0099] By so doing, it is also possible to correct change 25 in the amount of delay within the system produced due to the change in the reception level and match the phases οf input signals in frequency multiplier 161

quadrature demodulator 163, and thereby improve the phase noise characteristic.

[0100] (Embodiment 5)

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5 FIG. 6 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to Embodiment 5 of the present invention. Compared to radio reception apparatus 151 of radio system 100 in Embodiment 1, radio reception apparatus 651 of radio system 600 shown in FIG.6 only 10 differs in that quadrature demodulator 163 is replaced by frequency multiplier 653, and reception baseband section 170 is replaced by reception baseband section 670, and the rest of the components are the same. Therefore, the explanations of the same components will 15 be omitted, and only different parts will be explained. [0101] Frequency multiplier 653 multiplies signal F outputted from frequency multiplier 161 by signal G to which a delay is added by delay compensator 164, and outputs the multiplication result to reception baseband section 20 670. Reception baseband section 670 performs reception processing on this signal.

[0102] Thus, this embodiment is also applicable to a scheme where reception radio section 652 performs only frequency multiplication and reception base band section 670 performs quadrature demodulation, so that it is possible to minimize degradation of communication quality due to quadrature errors produced at the quadrature

demodulator.

[0103] (Embodiment 6)

FIG.7 is a block diagram showing a configuration of a radio system according to Embodiment 6 of the present invention. Compared to radio reception apparatus 151 of radio system 100 in Embodiment 1, radio reception apparatus 751 of radio system 700 shown in FIG.7 only differs in that variable gain amplifier 753 is added 10 between amplifier 153 and distributor 154, and reception baseband section 170 is replaced by reception baseband section 770 provided with reception power calculation section 771, and the rest of the components are the same. Therefore, the explanations of the same components will 15 be omitted, and only different parts will be explained. [0104] section Reception power calculation calculates power of a received signal from power of signal H outputted from quadrature demodulator 163. Reception baseband section 770 then gives a control signal according 20 to this calculation result to variable gain amplifier 753, and controls the gain. [0105] Variable gain amplifier 753 amplifies the signal outputted from amplifier 153 based on a control signal received from reception baseband section 770, and keeps 25 an input signal for distributor 154 at a constant level. [0106] As described above, since power adjustment is performed before distributor 154 distributes a received

signal, power adjustment is not necessary performed on the received signal and pilot signal separately, so that it is possible to realize a radio system in a simple configuration that operates over a wide range of reception level.

[0107] Reception power calculation section 771 and reception power calculation section 471 in Embodiment 3 and Embodiment 4 are intended to calculate the power of a received signal from the power of signal H and differ only in the place where this calculation result is outputted, so that this embodiment is also applicable to Embodiment 3 and Embodiment 4.

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[0108] Thus, according to Embodiment 6, radio reception apparatus 751 is provided with: antenna 152 that receives a radio signal in which a modulation signal having no signal on a center frequency and a pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency are multiplexed; distributor 154 that distributes the received signal received at antenna 152 to two directions; bandpass filter 155 that extracts a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal from the one received signal distributed from distributor 154; frequency multiplier 157 that performs frequency conversion on the signal component corresponding to the extracted pilot signal using one local oscillation signal which is generated by local oscillation section 159 and distributed to the two directions by distributor 158;

delay compensator 162 that gives a delay to the other received signal distributed by distributor 154; frequency multiplier 161 that frequency-multiplies the signal component corresponding to the pilot signal subjected to frequency conversion in frequency multiplier 157 by the other received signal to which a delay is added in delay compensator 162; delay compensator 164 that gives a delay to the other local oscillation signal distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; and quadrature demodulator 163 that frequency-multiplies the received signal after the frequency multiplication by frequency multiplier 161 in the other local oscillation signal to which a delay is added by delay compensator 164, and performs quadrature demodulation.

15 [0109] Furthermore, radio reception section 751 is provided with reception power calculation section 771 that calculates a reception power value of the received signal based on the amplitude of the output signal of quadrature demodulator 163, and variable gain amplifier 753 that is disposed before distributor 154 and amplifies the received signal according to the reception power value.

[0110] By so doing, since power adjustment is performed before distributor 154 distributes the received signal, power adjustment is not necessary to be performed on the received signal and pilot signal separately, so that it is possible to keep the constant input level for quadrature

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demodulator 163 in a simple configuration.

[0111] (Embodiment 7)

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of a radio system according to this Embodiment 7.

Compared to radio reception apparatus 151 of radio system 100 in Embodiment 1, radio reception apparatus 851 of radio system 800 shown in FIG.7 only differs in that variable gain amplifier 853 and variable gain amplifier 854 are added after quadrature demodulator 163, and reception baseband section 170 is replaced by reception baseband section 870 provided with reception power calculation section 871, and the rest of the components are the same. Therefore, the explanations of the same components will be explained.

[0112] Reception baseband section 870 receives signal H from quadrature demodulator 163, and calculates the power of signal H in reception power calculation section 871. Reception baseband section 870 gives a control signal corresponding to this calculation result to variable gain amplifier 853 and variable gain amplifier 854, and controls those gains. By so doing, it is possible to respond to a wide range of reception level fluctuation.

25 [0113] Thus, according to Embodiment 7, radio reception apparatus 851 is provided with: antenna 152 that receives a radio signal in which a modulation signal having no

signal on a center frequency and a pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency are multiplexed; distributor 154 that distributes received signal received at antenna 152 to two directions; bandpass filter 155 that extracts a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal from the one received signal distributed from distributor 154; frequency multiplier 157 that performs frequency conversion on the signal component corresponding to the extracted pilot signal using one local oscillation signal which is local oscillation section 159 generated bу and distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; delay compensator 162 that gives a delay to the other received signal distributed by distributor 154; frequency multiplier 161 that frequency-multiplies the signal component corresponding to the pilot signal subjected to frequency conversion in frequency multiplier 157 by the other received signal to which a delay is added in delay compensator 162; delay compensator 164 that gives a delay to the other local oscillation signal distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; and quadrature demodulator 163 that frequency-multiplies the received signal after the frequency multiplication by frequency multiplier 161 in the other local oscillation signal to which a delay is added by delay compensator 164, and performs quadrature demodulation.

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[0114] Furthermore, radio reception apparatus 851 is

also provided with reception power calculation section 871 that calculates the reception power value of the received signal based on the amplitude of the output signal of quadrature demodulator 163, variable gain amplification section 853 and variable gain amplification section 854 that amplify the signal subjected to quadrature demodulation by quadrature demodulation section 163 according to the reception power value.

[0115] By so doing, it is possible to prevent

deterioration of the phase noise characteristic even when
the reception power fluctuates.

[0116] (Embodiment 8)

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of a radio system according to Embodiment 8. Compared to radio reception apparatus 151 in Embodiment 1, radio reception apparatus 951 of radio system 900 shown in FIG.9 only differs in that band limiting filter 953 is provided after distributor 154, and the rest of the components are the same. Therefore, the explanations of the same components will be omitted and only different parts will be explained.

[0117] Here, when a pilot signal component such as signal D is on the center frequency, a DC offset may occur, and the reception characteristic may deteriorate.

[0118] Thus, band limiting filter 953 is set so as to remove only a pilot signal component from a signal received

from distributor 154. For this reason, signal D, which is the output signal from delay compensator 162 in this embodiment, is in a state where no peak corresponding to a pilot signal component in a center frequency area is included.

[0119] Then, frequency multiplier 161 multiplies signal D, from which a peak corresponding to a pilot signal component in a center frequency area is removed, by signal E, and gives the multiplication result to quadrature demodulator 163. By so doing, band limiting filter 953 10 in the modulation signal branch removes the peak corresponding to the pilot signal component in the center frequency area in the signal inputted to frequency multiplier 161, so that it is possible to remove influences 15 of DC offsets in the signal inputted to frequency Thus, it is possible to prevent a multiplier 161. distortion in the signal inputted from frequency multiplier 161 to quadrature demodulator 163 and thereby improve the reception characteristic. That is, it is 20 possible to improve the reception characteristics by preventing the occurrence of a distortion caused by DC offsets.

[0120] Thus, according to Embodiment 8, radio reception apparatus 951 is provided with: antenna 152 that receives a radio signal in which a modulation signal having no signal on a center frequency and a pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency are

multiplexed; distributor 154 that distributes received signal received at antenna 152 to two directions; bandpass filter 155 that extracts a signal component corresponding to the pilot signal from the one received signal distributed from distributor 154; frequency multiplier 157 that performs frequency conversion on the signal component corresponding to the extracted pilot signal using one local oscillation signal which is generated bу local oscillation section 159 and 10 distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; delay compensator 162 that gives a delay to the other received signal distributed by distributor 154; frequency multiplier 161 that frequency-multiplies the signal component corresponding to the pilot signal subjected 15 to frequency conversion in frequency multiplier 157 by the other received signal to which a delay is added in delay compensator 162; delay compensator 164 that gives a delay to the other local oscillation signal distributed to the two directions by distributor 158; and quadrature 20 demodulator 163 that frequency-multiplies the received signal after the frequency multiplication by frequency multiplier 161 in the other local oscillation signal to which a delay is added by delay compensator 164, and performs quadrature demodulation.

25 [0121] Furthermore, radio reception apparatus 951 is provided with band limiting filter 953 that is disposed before delay compensator 162, and removes a signal

component, which corresponds to the pilot signal having a center frequency identical to the center frequency of the other received signal distributed by distributor 154, from that received signal.

- [0122] By so doing, band limiting filter 953 removes the peak corresponding to the pilot signal component in the center frequency area in the signal inputted to frequency multiplier 161, so that it is possible to remove influences of DC offsets in the signal inputted to frequency 10 multiplier 161. For this reason, it is possible to prevent distortion in the signal inputted to quadrature demodulator 163 and thereby improve the reception characteristic. Although band limiting filter 953 is provided between distributor 154 and delay adder 162 in 15 the above description, this is by no means limiting, and similar effects can also be obtained when band limiting filter 953 is disposed between delay compensator 162 and frequency multiplier 161.
- [0123] The present application is based on Japanese
 20 Patent Application No. 2004-089726 filed on March 25, 2004,
 the entire content of which is expressly incorporated
 by reference herein.

Industrial Applicability

25 [0124] The radio system and radio communication apparatus of the present invention removes phase noise superimposed on a received signal and also removes phase

noise produced within the system of a reception radio section, and is thereby suitable for use in improving a phase noise characteristic.